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Press Release

At approximately 06:45 pm on this date, City Fire units were dispatched for reported smoke and flames coming from a structure in the 800 block of LeRay Street. When firefighters arrived, they found the house at 803 LeRay Street with flames coming from the north side of the structure.

Crews had to lay supply hose from two separate fire hydrants to secure an adequate water supply due to the volume of fire involvement. It was reported that no one was home, however, crews conducted a primary search and multiple hand lines were deployed to control the fire that travelled to the attic space of the structure.

Fort Drum Fire Department responded to the scene with an engine company and recalled firefighters staffed reserve fire apparatus. National Grid, City Water, DPW and Code Enforcement crews also responded to the incident.

The single family home is owned by a Jacob Hollis of the same address.

The fire appears to have originated in a recreation room on the first floor of the residence. The exact cause is still under investigation, however a kerosene space heater in that room has been ruled out.

There are no further updates expected today.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dale C. Herman".

Dale C. Herman
Fire Chief, EFO